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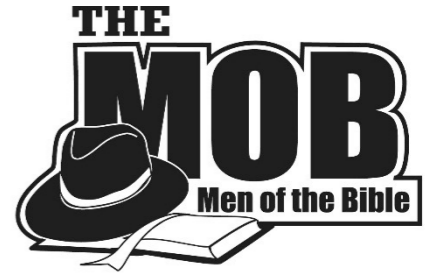
All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

2 Timothy 3:16-17 (ESV)



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Announcements



■ **Men's Summer Sundaes Series**

- **Tuesday, June 13th –Jonathan Alexandre of Liberty Counsel**
- **Sunday, July 23rd –Janet Parshall who is a nationally syndicated radio talk show host - open to spouses**
- **Tuesday, August 8th –Navy Vice Admiral (Ret.) Scott Redd**

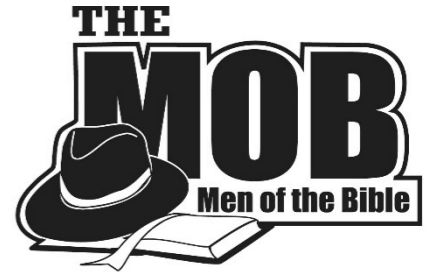
■ **MOB Group D's Summer Study – Hebrews**

■ **MOB Group F's Summer Study – “*The Titus Ten*,” J. Josh Smith**

■ **Free Logos Training – Kirk Streitmater – Sat. June 24**

9-11 AM Introduction; 12-2 PM Basic Functionality

If interested, please email streitmaterk@verizon.net



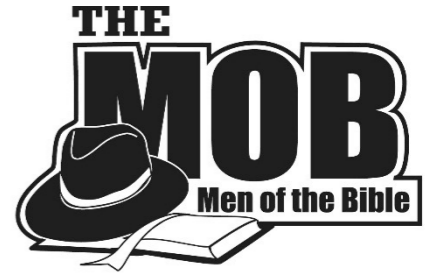
■ Invocation/Prayer

■ Hymn:

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

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By Isaac Watts, Verse 1 of 4



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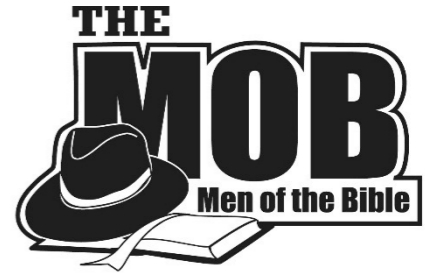
on which the Prince of glory died,

My richest gain I count but loss,

and pour contempt on all my pride.

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

By Isaac Watts, Verse 2 of 4



Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast

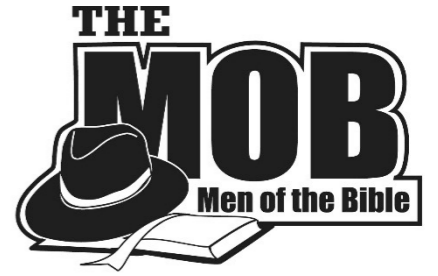
save in the death of Christ, my God!

All the vain things that charm me most,

I sacrifice them to His blood.

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

By Isaac Watts, Verse 3 of 4

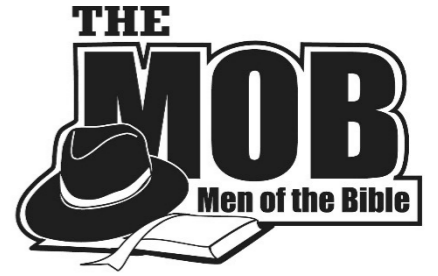


**See, from His head, His hands, His feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down.
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?**



When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

By Isaac Watts, Verse 4 of 4



Were the whole realm of nature mine,

that were a present far too small.

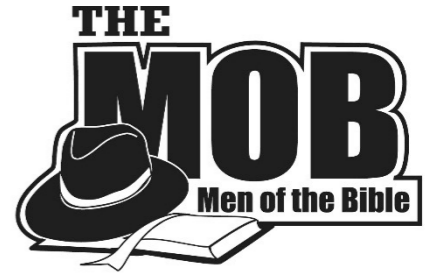
Love so amazing, so divine,

demands my soul, my life, my all.



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Memory Verse



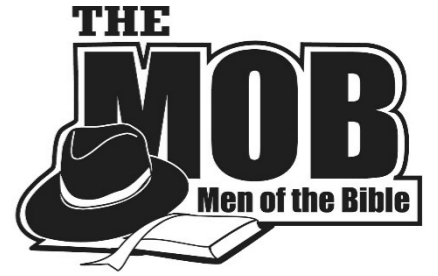
Isaiah 40:1 (NASB)

“Comfort, O comfort My people,” says your God.



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Our Study of Isaiah

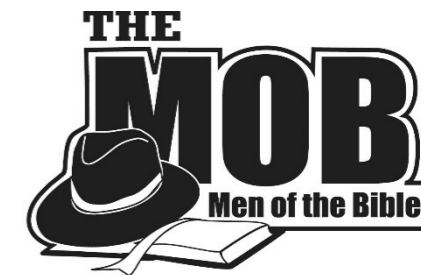


- **Last Meeting:**
 - Isaiah 1-39, Review, Lessons Learned, Testimonies
 - Memory Verse: Isaiah 1:25-26
 - *Dr. Constable's Notes, 2022 Ed., pp. 1-251; Motyer, pp. 13-297.*

- **This Meeting:**
 - Isaiah 40-66, Introduction and Overview
 - Memory Verse: Isaiah 40:1
 - *Dr. Constable's Notes, 2022 Ed., pp. 251-493; Motyer, pp. 298-544.*

- Refreshment Host: F

Isaiah Bible Study Schedule for Fall 2022 – Spring 2023

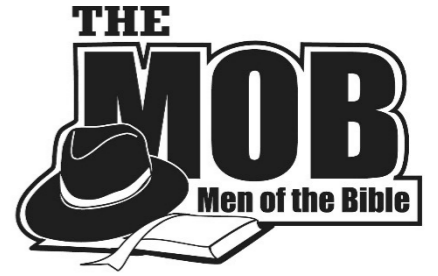


#	DATE:	THE BOOK OF ISAIAH – READINGS & TOPICS	HOST SM GRP
28	APR 11	Isaiah 35 The Ransomed Shall Return Constable's Notes, pp. 223 - 227, Motyer, pp. 272 - 275	A
29	APR 18	Isaiah 36 Sennacherib Invades Judah Constable's Notes, pp. 227 - 233, Motyer, pp. 276 - 279	B
30	APR 25	Isaiah 37 Hezekiah's Distress & Prayer, Assyrian's Struck Down Constable, pp. 233 - 240, Motyer, pp. 279 - 286	C
31	MAY 2	Isaiah 38 Hezekiah's Sickness and Recovery Constable's Notes, pp. 240 - 246, Motyer, pp. 289 - 295	D
32	MAY 9	Isaiah 39 Hezekiah Welcomes Babylonian Envoy Constable's Notes, pp. 246 - 251, Motyer, pp. 295 - 297	E
33	MAY 16	Isaiah 1-39 Review, Lessons Learned, Testimonies Constable's Notes, pp. 1 - 251, Motyer, pp. 13 - 297	Online
34	MAY 23	Isaiah 40-66 Introduction and Overview Constable's Notes, pp. 251 - 493	F





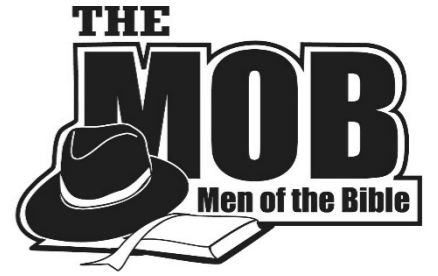
Isaiah Outline



Focus	Prophecies of Condemnation								Historical Parenthesis		Prophecies of Comfort					
	1:1		35:10						36:1	39:8	40:1		66:24			
Divisions	Prophecies Against Judah		Prophecies Against the Nation		Prophecies Against the Day of the Lord		Prophecies of Judgement and Blessing		Sickness and Sin	Hezekiah's Salvation	Israel's Deliverance	Israel's Deliverer		Israel's Glorious Future		
Topics	1:1	12:6	13:1	23:18	24:1	27:13	28:1	35:10	36:1	39:8	40:1	48:22	49:1	57:21	58:1	66:24
	Prophetic Judgment								Historic Transition		Messianic Hope					
Place	Israel & Judah															
Time	740 - 680 B.C.															



Isaiah – What Just Happened?



"When one turns from the thirty-ninth to the fortieth chapter it is as though he steps out of the darkness of judgment into the light of salvation."

Edward J. Young

Two Sections of Isaiah

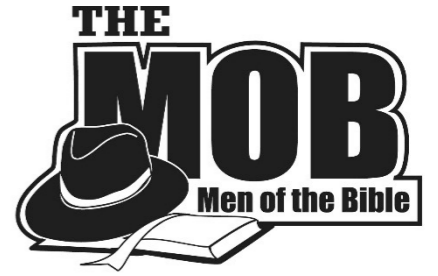
Isaiah 1—39	Isaiah 40—66
The focus is on Assyria.	The focus is on Babylon.
The primary theme is judgment.	The primary theme is deliverance.
Historical details are present.	Historical details are absent.
Messiah is the "shoot from Jesse."	Messiah is the "Servant of the LORD."
The life of Isaiah is prominent.	The life of Isaiah is absent.

Adapted from Dyer & Merrill



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Isaiah - A Transition



We have completed Isaiah 1-39. You probably agree that there are a lot of discouraging thoughts in this section.

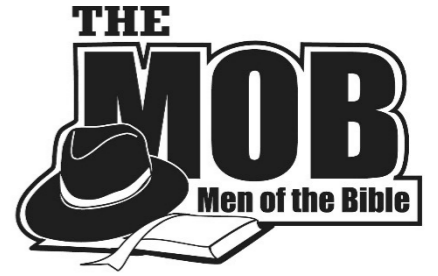
Isaiah 1-39 left us with a strong sense of failure and need –

- **It is easy to understand why Ahaz, the ‘evil’ king, failed himself and the nation.**
- **But Hezekiah, the ‘good’ king, also failed himself and the nation.**
- **They needed a righteous King to lead them.**



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The Transition Prophesied



When the Lord has finished all his work on Mount Zion and on Jerusalem, he will punish the arrogant boasting of the king of Assyria and his haughty pride.

Isaiah 10:12

Some of your own sons who are born to you shall be taken away; they shall be eunuchs in the palace of the king of Babylon.”

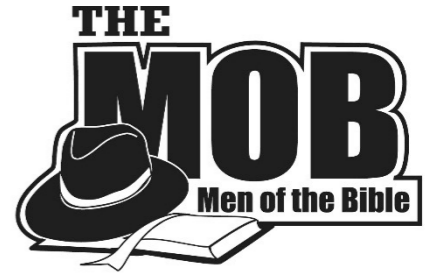
Isaiah 39:7

Taking away of Hezekiah’s sons did not happen for almost 100 years – until Babylon started taking Judah into exile



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Isaiah - A Dividing Line



Isaiah 39 ended
in 701 BC

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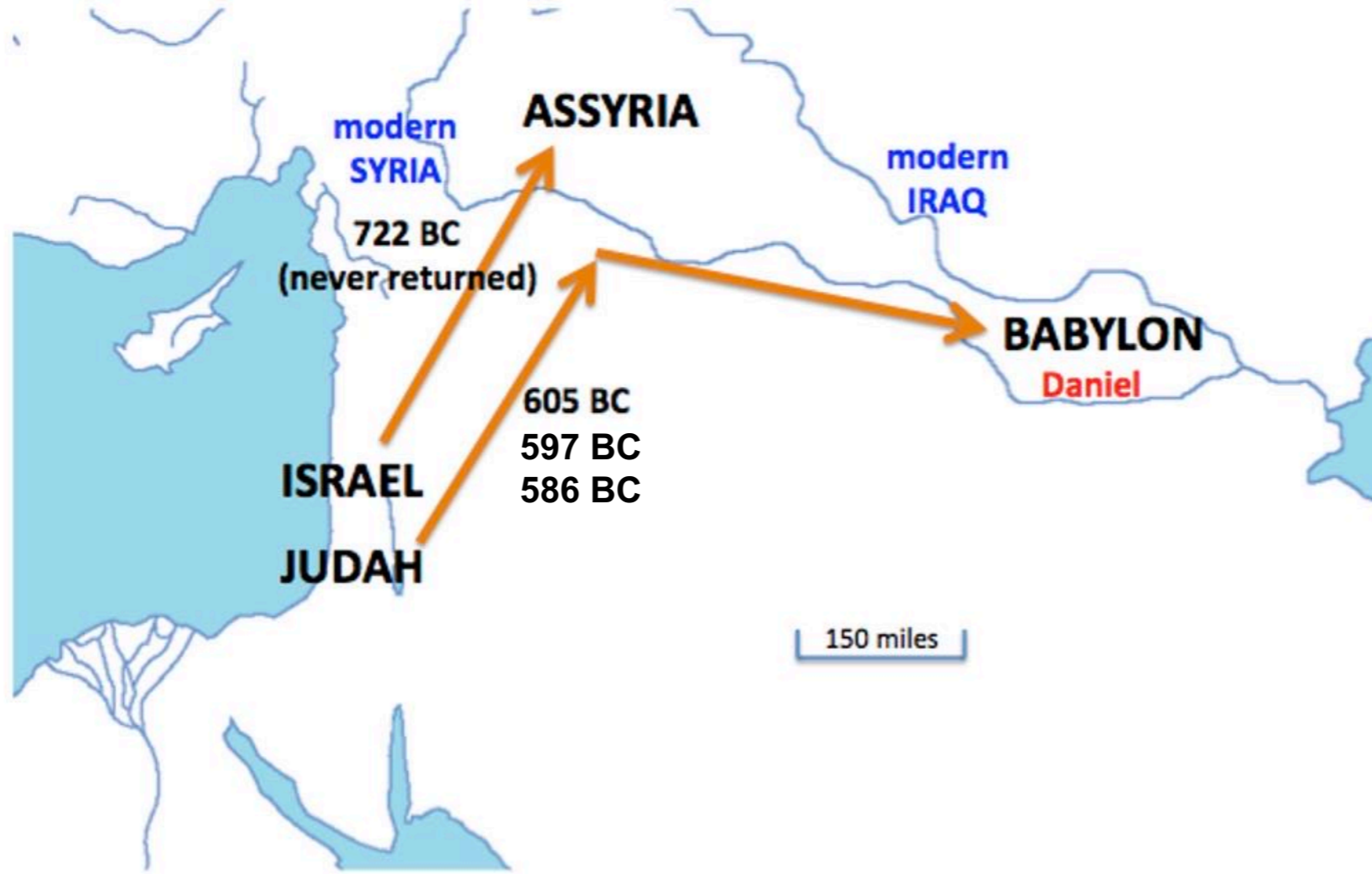
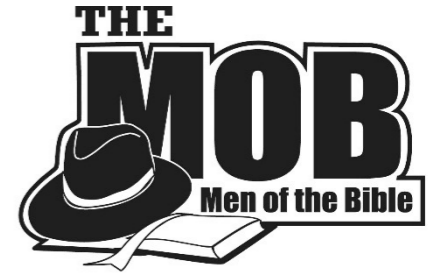
The exile to Babylon came
in three phases –
605 BC, 597 BC, 586 BC

In **Isaiah 40**, the people are
already in exile.



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Exiled! (The History)



Why the Exile?

**Consequences of covenant unfaithfulness:
Judgment is real and ugly.**

2 Kings 17:7,18

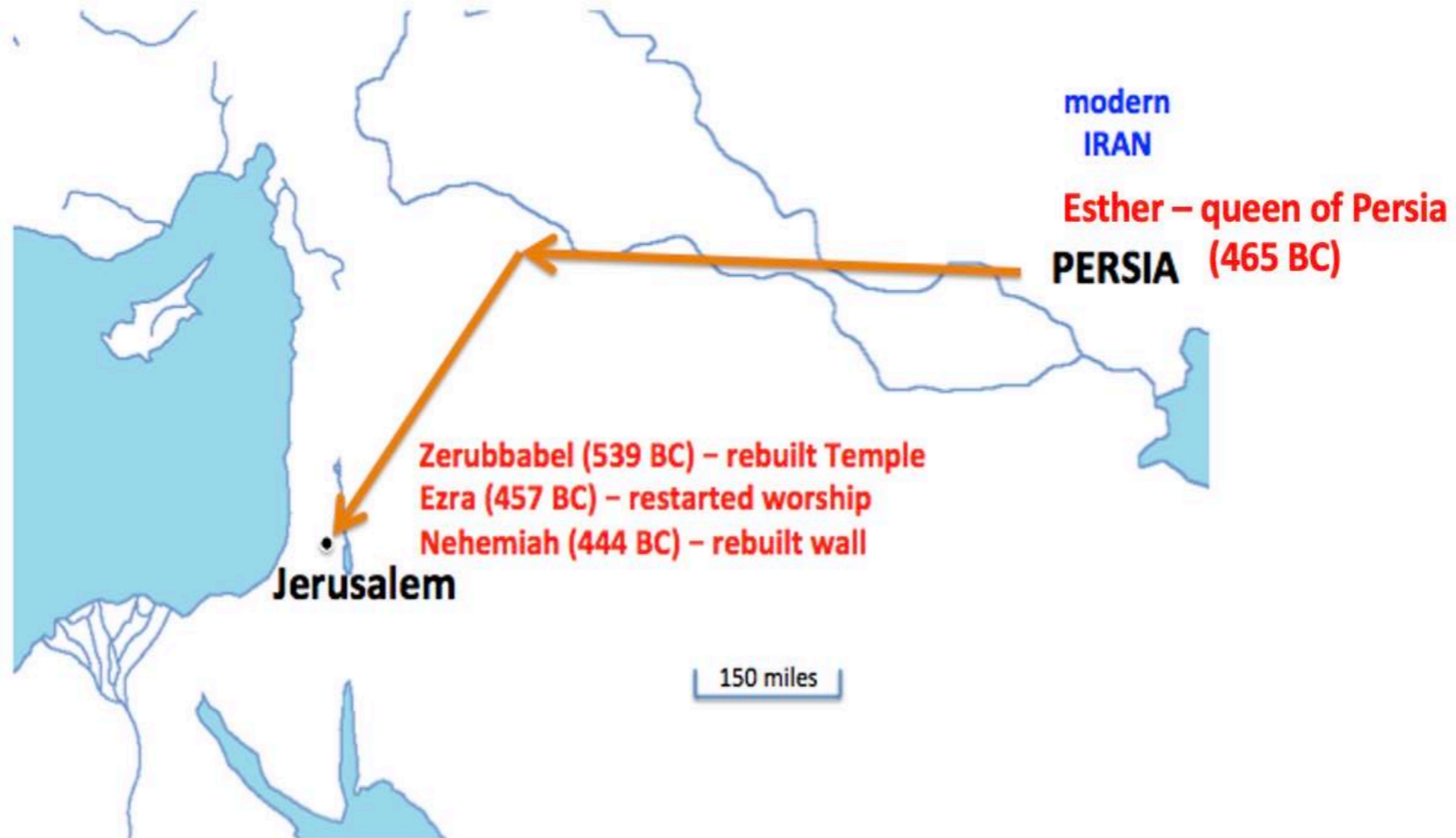
“Now this came about because the sons of Israel had sinned against the LORD their God ... So the LORD was very angry with Israel and removed them from His sight; none was left except the tribe of Judah.”

The People in Exile

**By the rivers of Babylon,
There we sat down and wept,
When we remembered Zion.**

Psalm 137:1

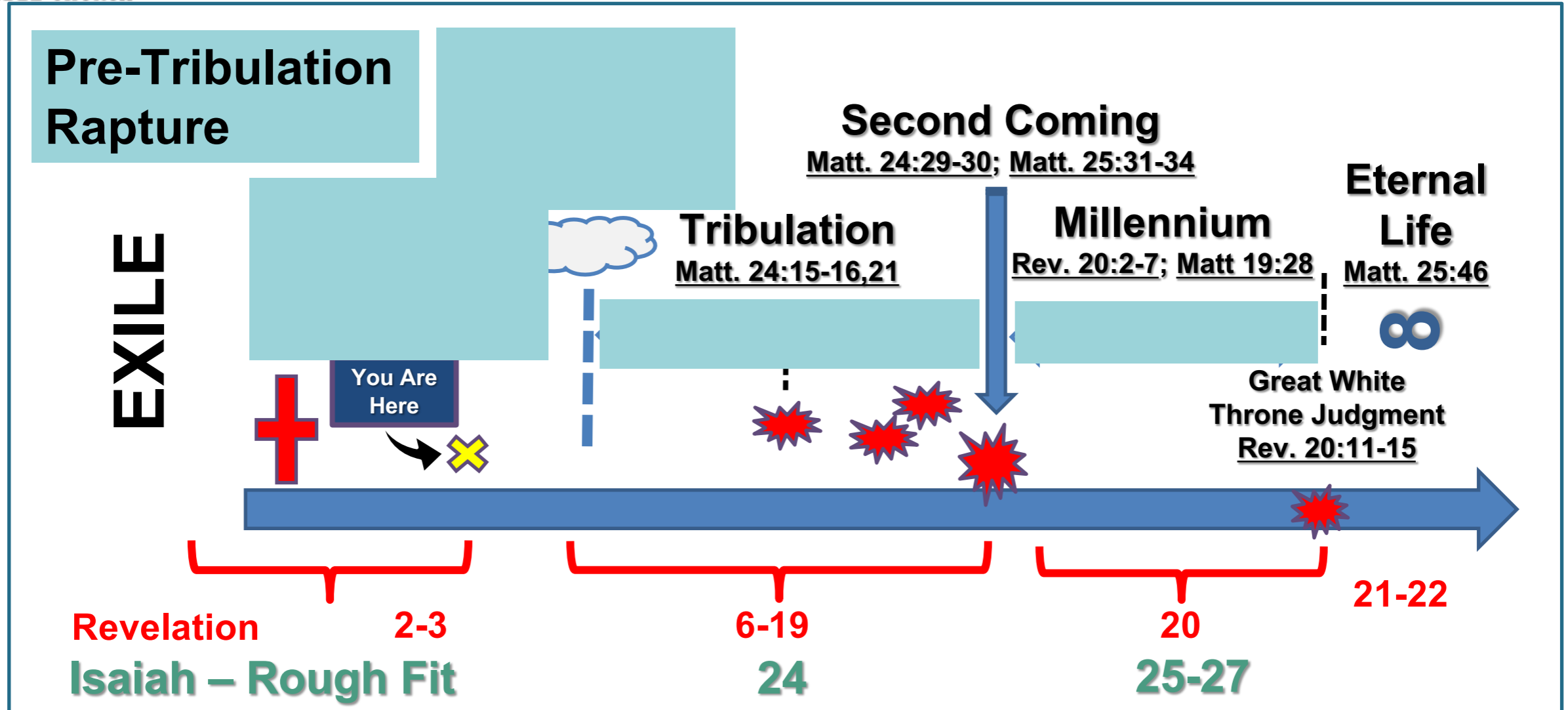
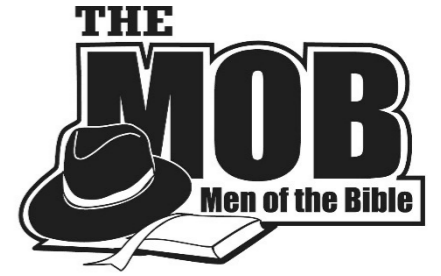
Return from Exile





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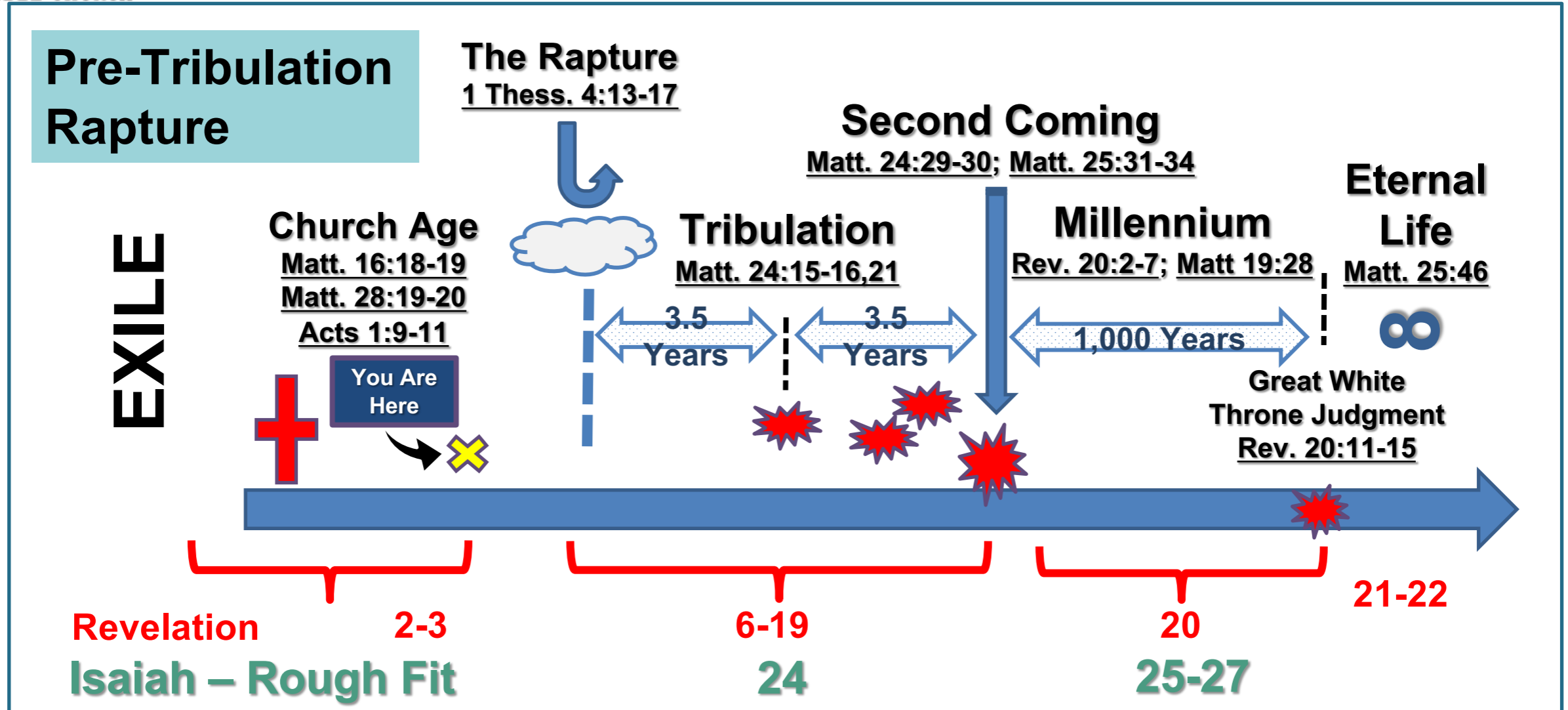
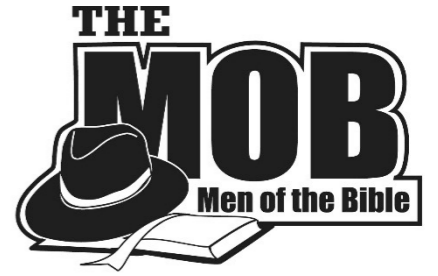
Major Bible Events





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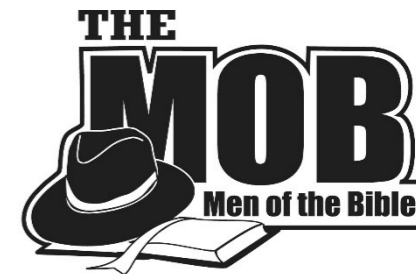
Major Bible Events





Isaiah 40-66

Three Major Events



Israel's Deliverance (chapters 40-48)

■ Event - Deliverance from captivity in Babylon

- The human deliverer is Cyrus, mentioned near the middle of the section (44:28–45:1)

Israel's Deliverer (chapters 49-57)

■ Event - Rejection and restoration of the Suffering Servant (Jesus)

- Especially 52:13–53:12

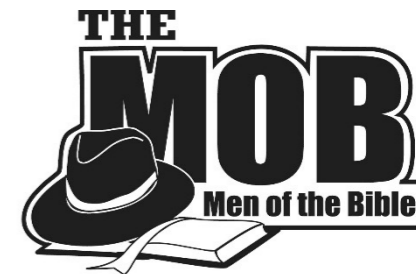
Israel's Glorious Future (chapters 58-66)

■ Event - The consummation of God's restoration of Israel and world.

- coming of the Messiah (chaps. 61–63)



Isaiah 40-66 – Big Picture



Chapters 40–66 emphasize more than redemption from sin.

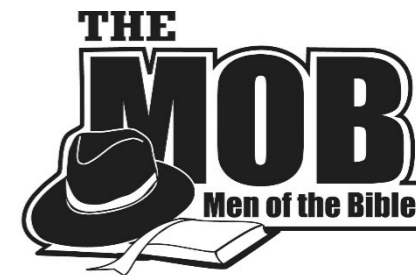
Those chapters go beyond that to speak of a change in the cosmos, of the Lord's restoration of His created order....

atonement for that sin *and* the resulting change in people and the world system are discussed.

Bible Knowledge Commentary



Isaiah 40-66 – Big Picture

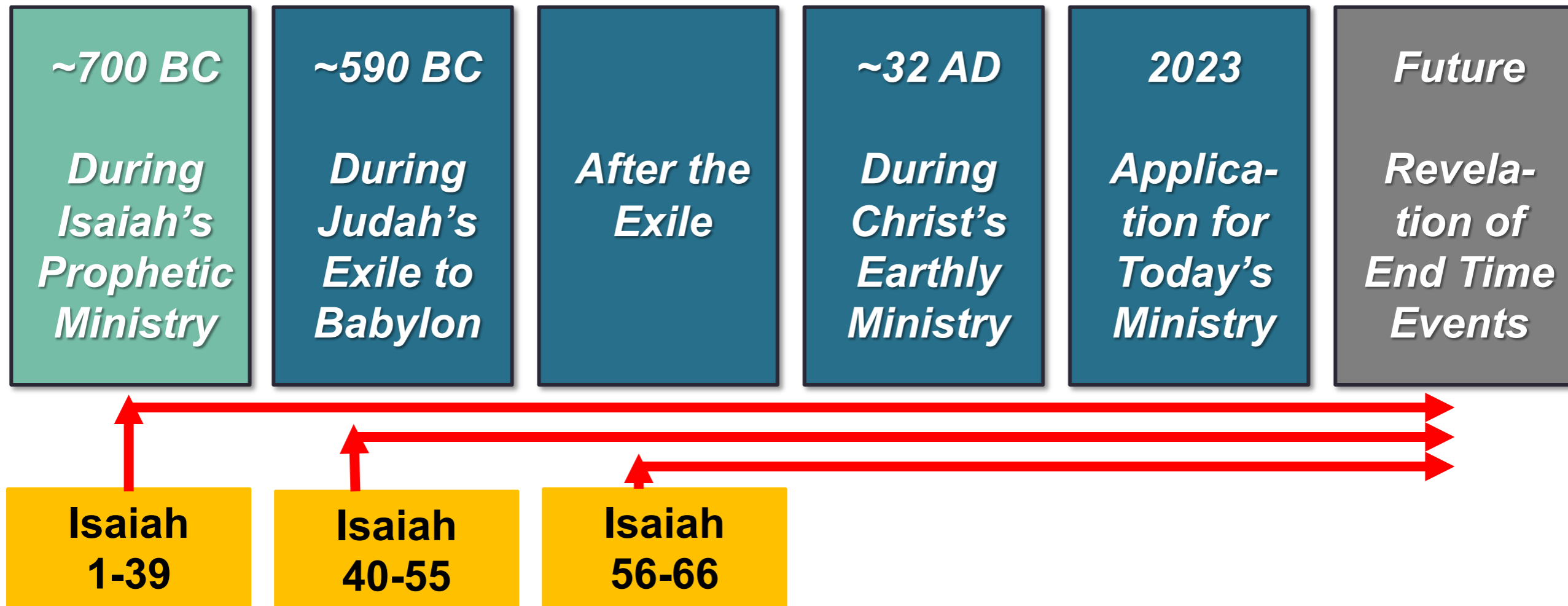
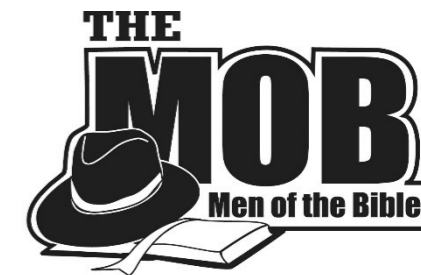


- **Hard to make a nice clean outline**
- **Mostly future prophecy even now – not history or interaction with kings and people of Israel**
- **With every paragraph, you still have to ask “What is the timeframe?”**
- **There are many recognizable quotes referenced in NT**
- **Isaiah 40-66 is much more positive and hopeful than 1-39 which alternated between failure/depression and hope**



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Time Span Addressed by Isaiah



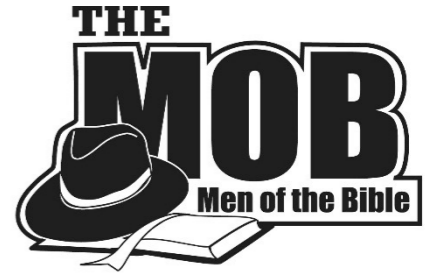
Themes in Isaiah 40-66

- **Comfort**
- **My Word**
- **God will restore Israel**
- **New things are coming**
- **Servant songs**
- **Your God reigns!**
- **The Millennium**
- **Jerusalem Glorified**



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A Theme - Comfort



1 “Comfort, O comfort My people,” says your God. 2 “Speak kindly to Jerusalem; And call out to her, that her warfare has ended, That her iniquity has been removed, That she has received of the LORD’s hand Double for all her sins.”

Isaiah 40:1-2

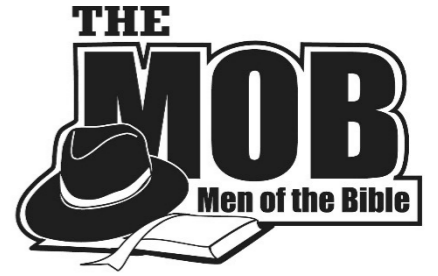
“Comfort / Comforts / Comforted”

- Once in Isaiah 1-39

13x in Isaiah 40-66



A Theme – My Word



**The grass withers, the flower fades, But the word of our God
stands forever.**

Isaiah 40:8

**So will My word be which goes forth from My mouth; It will not
return to Me empty, Without accomplishing what I desire, And
without succeeding *in the matter* for which I sent it.**

Isaiah 55:11

A Theme – God Will Restore Israel p2

⁶ Seek the LORD while He may be found; Call upon Him while He is near. ⁷ Let the wicked forsake his way And the unrighteous man his thoughts; And let him return to the LORD, And He will have compassion on him, And to our God, For He will abundantly pardon.

Isaiah 55:6-7

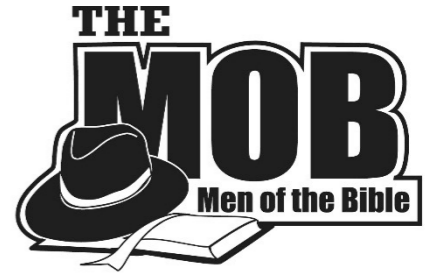
“A Redeemer will come to Zion, And to those who turn from transgression in Jacob,” declares the LORD.

Isaiah 59:20



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A Theme – New Things Coming



I declared the former things long ago And they went forth from My mouth, and I proclaimed them. Suddenly I acted, and they came to pass. ... I proclaim to you new things from this time, Even hidden things which you have not known.

Isaiah 48:3, 6b

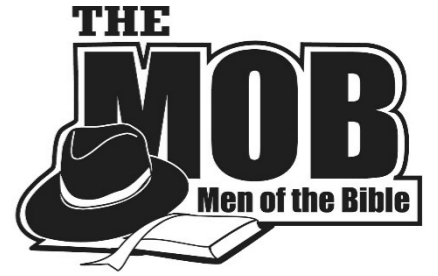
¹ The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, Because the LORD has anointed me To bring good news to the afflicted; He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to captives And freedom to prisoners; ² To proclaim the favorable year of the LORD And the day of vengeance of our God; To comfort all who mourn,

Isaiah 61:1-2



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A Theme – Servant Songs



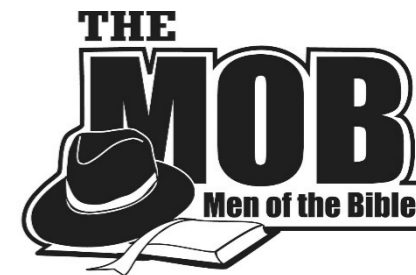
⁸ “I am the LORD, that is My name; I will not give My glory to another, Nor My praise to graven images. ⁹ “Behold, the former things have come to pass, Now I declare new things; Before they spring forth I proclaim *them* to you.” Isaiah 42:8-9

⁶ He says, “It is too small a thing that You should be My Servant To raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the preserved ones of Israel; I will also make You a light of the nations So that My salvation may reach to the end of the earth.” Isaiah 49:6



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A Theme – Servant Songs p2



He was despised and forsaken of men, A man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; And like one from whom men hide their face He was despised, and we did not esteem Him.

Isaiah 53:3

⁴ Surely our griefs He Himself bore, And our sorrows He carried; Yet we ourselves esteemed Him stricken, Smitten of God, and afflicted.

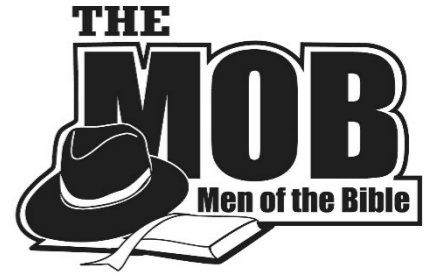
Isaiah 53:4-5

All of us like sheep have gone astray, Each of us has turned to his own way; But the LORD has caused the iniquity of us all To fall on Him.

Isaiah 53:6

Servant Songs p3

Isaiah 53 – Used in 1 Peter

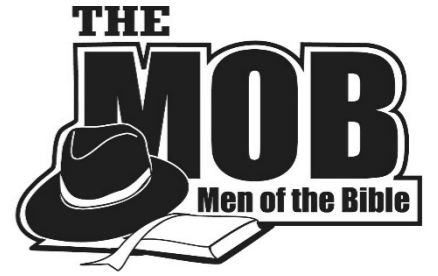


- ²² **who committed no sin, nor was any deceit found in His mouth** [Is 53:9];
- ²³ and while being reviled, He did not revile in return; while suffering, He uttered no threats [Is 53:7c-d], but kept entrusting Himself [Is 53:12c] to Him who judges righteously [Is 53:8a];
- ²⁴ and **He Himself bore our sins** [Is 53:4a, 12] in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; **for by His wounds you were healed** [Is 53:5d].
- ²⁵ For **you were continually straying like sheep** [Is 53:6a], but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Guardian of your souls.

Adapted from Jobes

Servant Songs p3a

Isaiah 53 – Used in 1 Peter

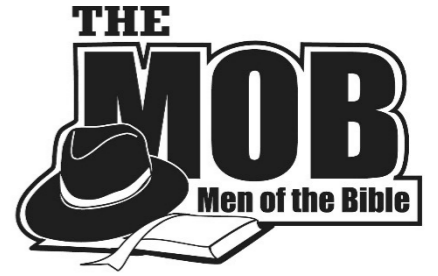


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A Lesson



**but kept entrusting Himself to Him
who judges righteously**

**That was Isaiah's main message to Ahaz,
Hezekiah, and all of Israel !!**

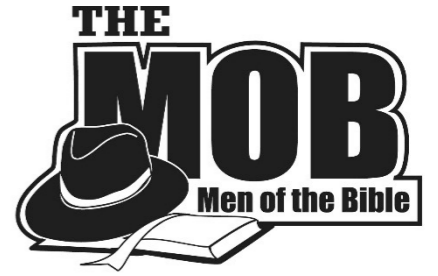
But they would not accept it –

DO YOU ??



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A Theme – Your God Reigns



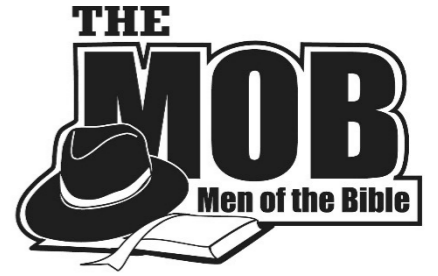
Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts: ‘I am the first and I am the last, And there is no God besides Me.’ **Isaiah 44:6**

How lovely on the mountains Are the feet of him who brings good news, Who announces peace And brings good news of happiness, Who announces salvation, *And* says to Zion, “Your God reigns!” **Isaiah 52:7**



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A Theme – Millennium



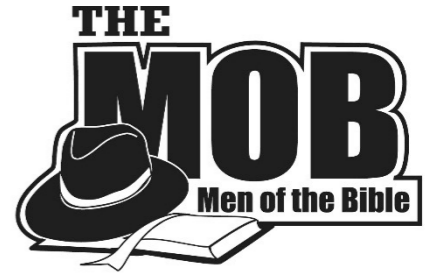
**³ A voice is calling, “Clear the way for the LORD in the wilderness; Make smooth in the desert a highway for our God.
⁴ “Let every valley be lifted up, And every mountain and hill be made low; And let the rough ground become a plain, And the rugged terrain a broad valley; ⁵ Then the glory of the LORD will be revealed, And all flesh will see *it* together; For the mouth of the LORD has spoken.”**

Isaiah 40:3-5



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A Theme – Millennium p2



25 “The wolf and the lamb will graze together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox; and dust will be the serpent’s food. They will do no evil or harm in all My holy mountain,” says the LORD.

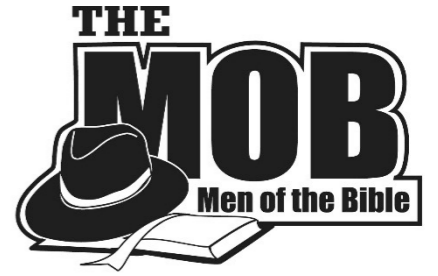
Isaiah 65:25

“For just as the new heavens and the new earth Which I make will endure before Me,” declares the LORD, “So your offspring and your name will endure.

Isaiah 66:22



A Theme – Jerusalem Glorified



Your gates will be open continually; They will not be closed day or night, So that *men* may bring to you the wealth of the nations, With their kings led in procession.

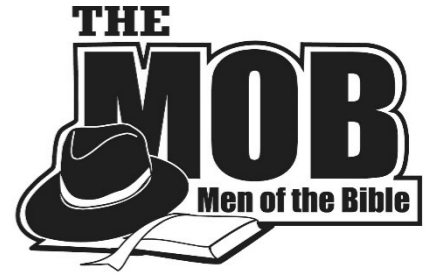
Isaiah 60:11

No longer will you have the sun for light by day, Nor for brightness will the moon give you light; But you will have the LORD for an everlasting light, And your God for your glory.

Isaiah 60:19



A Theme – Jerusalem Glorified p2

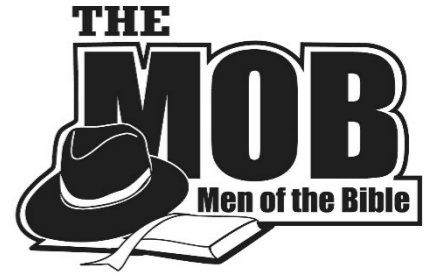


It will no longer be said to you, “Forsaken,” Nor to your land will it any longer be said, “Desolate”; But you will be called, “My delight is in her,” And your land, “Married”; For the LORD delights in you, And *to Him* your land will be married.

Isaiah 62:4



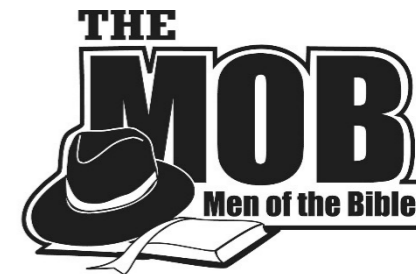
Discussion Questions (1 of 2)



- 1. Read Isaiah 39:5-8 and Isaiah 40:1-2. What observations can you make about the transition to the second part of Isaiah's book?**
- 2. Think about the generation that was carried off to Babylon. What remorse would they have felt? What questions and doubts would they have had?**
- 3. Do you have a favorite verse or chapter from Isaiah 40-66 to share with your group?**



Discussion Questions (2 of 2)



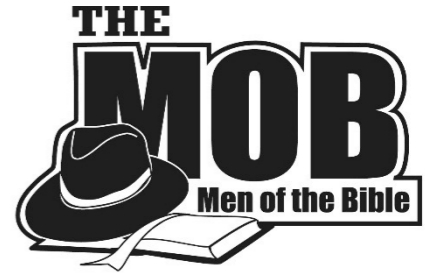
Probably the greatest single chapter in Isaiah's book is chapter 53, The Suffering Servant. Read Isaiah 53 and use it for the remaining questions.

- 4. What aspects of the servant's life are foretold?**
 - 5. What words in verses 4-6 explain what of *ours* the servant took on Himself?**
 - 6. What was the purpose of the servant's suffering?**
 - 7. Isaiah 53 was quoted and referenced heavily in 1 Peter 2:22-25. What do you learn from considering Peter's use of Isaiah 53?**
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Next Meeting



- Will I see you in September ...
- or lose you to ...?